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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE TECHNOLOGY OFFICER 5800

In re application of: Berthold N. SCHMIDT et al.

Serial No.:

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For:

HIGH POWER SEMICONDUCTOR LASER

Examiner:

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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 16, 2003**

Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and comments.

## <u>AMENDMENTS</u>

## IN THE CLAIMS:

(Amended) A semiconductor ridge waveguide laser diode including a semiconductor body (1),

an active region (2, 3, 7) including a ridge (4) waveguide with dimensionally unconstricted end sections,